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Crisis may threaten civil liberties

By Terri Somers

South Florida Sun-Sentinel

The United States' record on civil liberties in times of crisis portends a blow to Americans' civil liberties in the wake of last week's terrorist attacks, civil libertarians and other legal experts say.

They point to President Abraham Lincoln's suspension of habeas corpus during the Civil War, the World War II internment of Japanese-Americans and McCarthyism during the Cold War. All were at first supported by the U.S. Supreme Court, though when each crisis subsided, the court changed its mind in response to public outcry.

With every national security crisis, the nation rushes to react with measures that infringe on individual freedom, said Gary Gershman, a constitutional law expert at Nova Southeastern University.

President Bush on Saturday prepared to sign a law, approved overwhelmingly by Congress, giving him new authority to conduct a broad

international campaign against terrorism. An existing anti-terrorism law, passed in the wake of the Oklahoma City bombing, has been criticized by lawyers who say it infringes on constitutional rights yet provides little real protection against terrorism. There has been a push to repeal some of its tougher elements. Now politicians and policy-makers are considering legislation that would extend the powers of the CIA and expand the use of wiretaps. They have resurrected a proposal to toughen penalties for leaking government intelligence.

Those measures would require new legislation, and while they might be placed on a fast track, the process still takes time and requires debate. But the changes felt most immediately by Americans will not necessarily require new laws, experts said. "We'll use our same standards, use the same words, but the flexibility will lie in the execution," said Mary Cheh, a constitutional law expert at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

For instance, the Fourth Amendment promises

Americans protection against unreasonable search and seizure. But in the wake of terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the definition of "unreasonable" changes. "To put it in stark terms, did racial profiling become appropriate at 8:45 a.m. Tuesday?" asked Steve Wermiel, a constitutional law expert at American University's law school.

"Is it now OK for law enforcement to stop someone because they look Arab or Muslim?"

That would be punishing those who fit a profile but

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Freshman class is large but will they stay?

Enrollment stats at UAS are impressive though retention rates are quite low.

By Summer Dorr

Whalesong Staff

What's this- parking filled to the brim here at UAS? Forcing students to create their own spots or circle around several times waiting for a space to free up.

What is going on at our small college?

Freshman takeover that's what! Freshman enrollment is up again this year and despite scarce available parking spaces, on-campus housing and classes are full and the UAS system couldn't be more pleased.

It's no secret that the majority of UAS students are part timers though with both a slight increase in the full-time and the new 180 freshman students to enter our doors, you are bound to see more faces in classes and less space for your ride.

Full time enrollment is up six percent over last year to 578 students. Though it is the freshman class statistical increase of 40 percent that is impressive, especially since fall 2000 was also up 51 percent over 1999.

"This is exciting, it's a new era," said Tish Griffin, Assistant Director of Student Services. "I am thrilled about our growth!" With the incoming freshman and the substantial 60 percent retention rate for campus housing, on-campus housing is filled to the brim and with a hefty wait

"The retention rate for housing this year is extraordinary!" Griffin shares, "Over 60 percent of last years students simply switched from

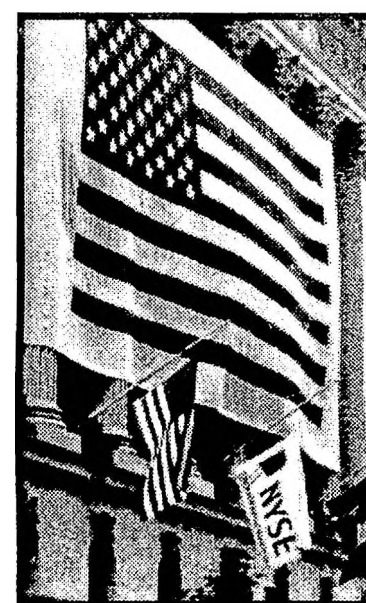
Banfield Hall to campus apartment housing." And with the freshman to fill the remaining rooms the housing was quickly filled. Currently 99 percent of housing is occupied. Resident halls were at 100 percent but they had a couple no shows. The campus housing was at 100 percent by July and this is the first time all housing has been filled since Banfield Hall opened in 1997.

While stats for first year student enrollment are steadily increasing the retention rate for them to complete all four years in pursuit of a Bachelors Degree here at UAS is only about five percent, reveals the records and registration office. Why is this statistic so low? Well let us account for dropouts, transfers, locals wanting to

get out of town and the bright ones on the seven-year plan.

Though this retention rate appears low, it doesn't take into account the numerous transfer students who do receive a Bachelor's Degree or the freshman who only intended on getting a two-year Associate Degree when they enrolled.

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An enormous flag hangs on the exterior of the New York Exchange in lower Manhattan on Sunday, September 16, 2001



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A few of the incoming UAS students at the Shrine

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EGAN LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

By Rob Dailey
Whalesong Staff

The good news about the Egan Library classroom addition is that all of the money for the \$6 million project will be available. Funding for both phases of the project has been approved by the Alaska Legislature. The bad news, and it isn't THAT bad, is that the project is a little behind schedule.

Mike Greene, a Projects Manager for UAS Facilities Planning and Construction, says that the problem is due largely to weather and delivery of certain construction materials to Juneau.

A major portion of those materials, a large shipment of roofing components called

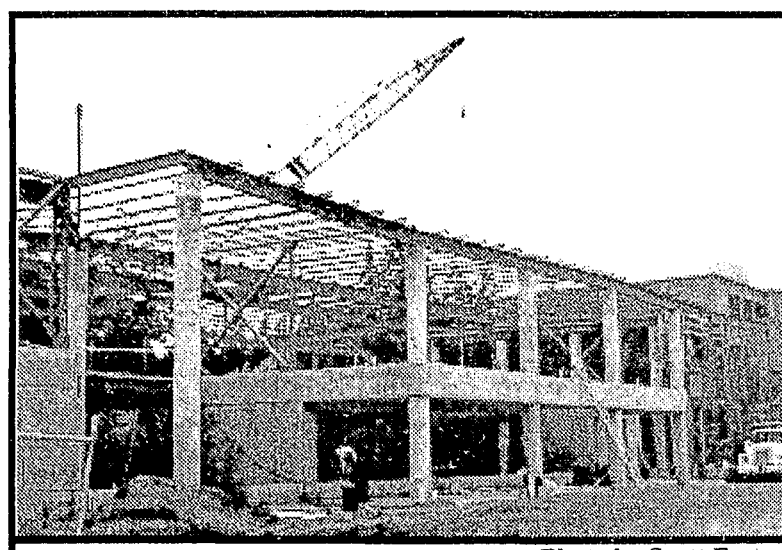


Photo by Scott Foster
Classroom Construction work underway

"pan decking," arrived last Tuesday, and now he says, "The race is on to finish (that part) before winter."

According to Greene, "Winter is always a problem."

Layne Brant, the on-site representative for Coogan Construction, says it's not necessarily snow that causes all the problems. More than anything, it's the cold.

Even on rainy September days, the pace of the work slows down if it's too cold.

"But these guys have worked through weeks of cold before," Brant said. "They can handle it."

Precipitation would also make it necessary to "tent" the structure before certain roofing work can be done. This, too, will take more time. Brant says he hopes to get the roof started within a month.

Despite all of this, the project is only about a month behind schedule. Slated to be completed December 20, Brant says now that he expects to be finished with Phase I of the project by late January.

Phase I of the Egan Library classroom addition began in March 2001 and includes completion of the outside of the building, but not finish work of the inside. Phase II will begin in the spring, and when finished, the 22,000 square foot building will house 16 classrooms and a 154 seat lecture hall.

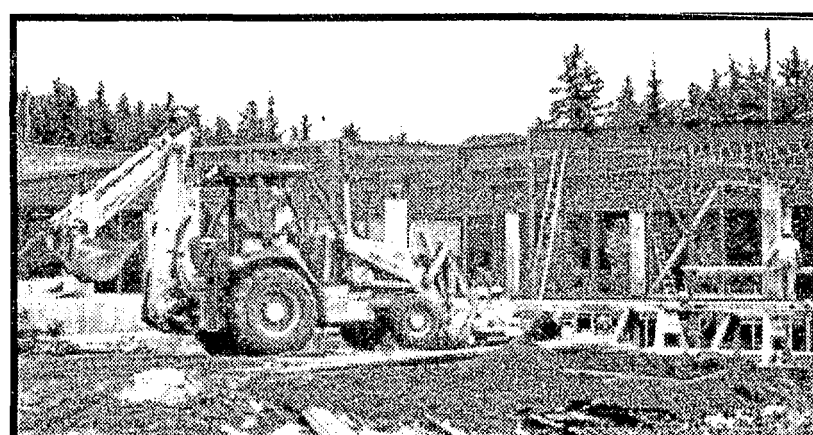


Photo by Sumer Todd-Harding
Behind schedule but still hard at work

Voice on Campus poll

Photos and quotes by Sumer Todd-Harding

Do you find the current construction here on campus an inconvenience to you? Why?



Jovonna Nolen

"[Yes,] because the fence is in the way for us getting into the parking lot and it blocks the view from the bus stop to look down at campus and the mountains."

Brandee Cooper

"No, I am happily anticipating the new addition of the pavilion & lecture hall."



Chris Grinder

"Yes. Because everytime I'm in the library it is extremely hard to study with construction going on. I understand that the construction has a good purpose, but I might not be around for that good purpose."

Laykeia Thurmond

"The walkways are too narrow, the construction is too noisy and ever since the gate has been put up, Jovonna keeps pushing me into it."



Katie Odegaard

"Yes and no. I know the end result should help us, however it is a pain with parking and one door in [to the library]."



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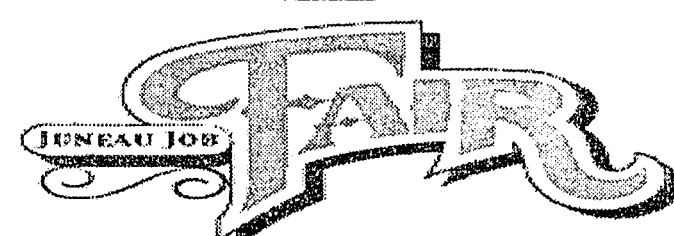
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NEW STAFF AT SRC

By Pam Webster and Jodi Barnes
Whalesong Contributors

Pamela Webster, Counselor

I recently started working in the new counselor position at the Student Resource Center. Last March I came to work at UAS as the freshman academic advisor and I met many of you during orientation.

I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and have been a therapist for nearly 20 years. I work with people with all kinds of problems, and my specialty areas are depression and eating disorders.

Many students become homesick when they go off to college. That should begin to wear off as students make friends and get involved in their classes and other university activities. The attacks in New York and Washington D.C. on Tuesday have introduced another level of stress and trauma for most of us. Sleeping long hours, having crying spells, over-eating are all possible signs that you may need help dealing with depression.

Call the Student Resource Center at 465-6457 to make an appointment or drop by my office at #209 Novatney.

Jodi Barnes - Academic Advisor

I am the new academic advisor in the Student Resource Center, replacing Pam Webster. Before coming to UAS I worked as a high school teacher and coach, and as a vocational training instructor.

Please stop by the Student Resource Center and introduce yourself or call me at 465-6456. I look forward to working with the students, faculty and staff and am pleased to be a part of UAS.



Photo by Virginie Duverger
Meet Pam Webster and Jodi Barnes

Freshman continued from page 1

"UAS is cheap for Alaska residents and I needed to save money," said Laura Stidolph, UAS student who just transferred in this semester, explaining why she chose to attend here. "I like UAS and think I'll work well here."

Though Stidolph just transferred in she is unsure if she'll stay. "It will depend on how much Juneau weather I can handle and what the business courses offer," Stidolph said. "For the most part, my happiness here is questionable on our Juneau weather not in the [UAS] system."

What is it that is drawing these fresh faces and what helps keep them here? "We have a number of things that contribute to the increase of enrollment," Greg Wagner, Director of recruiting, said "such as the enrollment management who follow up with tele counseling and build relationships with these prospective students. The positive press, new classrooms and new programs aid the increase as well."

"...my happiness here is questionable on our Juneau weather not in the [UAS] system."

-Laura Stidolph

Wagner went on to comment that UAS has a "unique niche" that draws students in with the good value and quality UAS offers.

UAS also uses a variety of mediums such as TV, newspaper, radio and they are continually updating their web site. And this was an effective tactic as I'm sure most students have heard the slogan "Find Success at UAS."

What could be done to tempt students to stay on at UAS for their college career? "From surveys taken, students are happy here, though the lack of specific degree/course programs for their major causes them to transfer to another university," Wagner said. "We need new programs to attract and retain more students." Wagner had also mentioned that UAS hopes to one day have 1000 full time students. Indeed, a solid goal worth striving for.

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aren't guilty of any crime, according to Wermiel. "I think this is a major concern, and I don't hear our national leaders saying enough about the need to protect against that," he said.

Also, if sky marshals are put on planes, what are the standards they will use to identify suspicious behavior? "If you ask for a knife to cut your chicken, is that reasonable suspicion for a sky marshal to bring you to the back of the plane for questioning or a search?" Wermiel asked.

Are Americans ready to deal with other possible measures, such as carrying a national identification card? These measures infringe on Americans' cherished right to be left alone, experts said. "In times of crisis, national security becomes this hammer by which government can beat back terrorist opportunity, and it excuses many actions previously seen as unacceptable," said Charles Zelden, a constitutional historian at NSU's law school.

The problem is inherent in the government's design, he said. "This nation was formed with two conflicting goals: to provide order, peace, security and stability, while also protecting the liberties for which we fought the revolution," said Zelden. "While they're not completely exclusive, achieving stability often comes at the expense of our freedoms. It's a balancing act."

Like other legal experts, Zelden hopes that in the country's current and understandable mood of hyper-patriotism, there is no rush to relinquish personal freedoms unnecessarily. He recalled President Lincoln's words to the South during his first inaugural address, when the nation was ripping apart at the seams: "Nothing valuable can be lost by taking time. If there be an object to hurry any of you in hot haste to a step which you would never take deliberately, that object will be frustrated by taking time; but no good object can be frustrated by it."

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The Cold War brought McCarthyism, which trampled upon people's freedoms to associate and to hold leftist political beliefs, Gershman said. The Vietnam War tested Americans' rights to assemble and to free speech.

By the time people went to the courts to challenge these laws, the crisis was over. And the courts were more willing to let the pendulum swing back toward greater personal liberty.

Years after the end of World War I, the Supreme Court reworked the standard that limited free speech by saying it must create a "clear and present danger."

During World War II, the U.S. Supreme Court initially supported the internment of Japanese Americans. The justices declined to second-guess the military on issues of national security, Gershman said. Decades passed before the government tried to make amends.

Father Robert Drinan, a constitutional law expert at Georgetown University School of Law, was a member of a presidential committee that in 1991 recommended Congress award reparations to survivors of the internment camps. "It cost the country \$1.3 billion to pay for that mistake," Drinan said.

Wermiel said the internment camps were the result of a panic similar to

what followed the attacks last week. "Not a running in the street panic, but at a larger scale, a kind of national consciousness panic fueled by military leaders," he said.

In the past few years the conservative-leaning U.S. Supreme Court has been reconsidering civil liberties issues and tending to give more leeway to the government and police, particularly on search and seizure issues, the experts said. "I'm afraid we will willingly take steps that individually may seem necessary, but collectively can be troublesome in the long run," Zelden said. "These things tend to build on themselves. And they are hard to take away later."

"If the use of wiretaps is expanded, what is to stop people from misusing that power and listening in on conversations that have nothing to do with terrorism?" Zelden said. He gave the example of the Nixon administration misusing IRS information to punish those on his "enemies list."

Wermiel said there's another civil liberty people need to hold onto - skepticism of what government tells them. "It is a time to respect the government, a time to come together and believe in the government," he said. "But it doesn't mean we have to give up the nation."

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How could this horrific incident be reality? Where to begin? My mind has explored a gazillion different thoughts and ideas about the terrorism attacks one week ago today. Still I am reluctant to release them all into the atmosphere. Is this because I do not feel that they are fully formed? Perhaps. Or it could be that I have not been able to adequately process the events of last Tuesday.

I have revised this editorial several times and started over twice and seem to be at a loss for

words. I am struck dumb, speechless...completely overloaded. I hope that everyone realizes that each one of us will do this in our own way at our own pace.

I would encourage those of you who want to share your opinions to write as President Hamilton and Tia Anderson did on Page 5. Kevin Meyers also shared about his day on Page 9 and I felt it necessary to pull a few more related stories off of KRT Campus (the equivalent of AP in college press) because it is such a HUGE subject to cover.

One train of thought I would like to share is my utter amazement at (1) the human race, (2) the American people and (3) the students at this college. The outpouring of support from people around the globe is phenomenal. The allegiance and patriotism that is flowing from this nations people appears to be an epidemic. And even at this college I am amazed at the comments and

discussions that have resulted in many of my classes over the past week.

I'm proud to be a member of all three groups. And with these things in mind, I can't help but think that life does go on and we will be ok. Our existence will be different and many things may change, but my cup is still half full ... this is 'my' reality.

Correction & Apology

In the Special Edition of September 4, 2001 on page 4 there was a photo of a bear and the photo credit went to Scott Foster when it should have been Ivan Hazelton. My deepest apologies Ivan, I made a regrettable assumption. Great picture by the way.

A thought to ponder:

If a cow laughs, does milk come out of her nose?



Bear incident illustrates problems

By Rob Dailey
Whalesong Staff

Last week, a bear and two cubs, who have become frequent visitors to student housing, were frightened up a tree in the parking lot. At around 8:30 p.m. last Tuesday evening, a group of about 10 students stood on the sidewalk near the Housing Lodge, shouting and laughing as three other students antagonized the bears from under the tree. One student repeatedly roared, as loudly as a human voice can, at the trapped bears while the students on the sidewalk shouted suggestions like, "Kick the tree!"

Despite the racket, no one came to intercede. One Community Advisor, who had been repeatedly informed (once by me) of the situation, chose to sit behind the desk and visit with another employee rather than take action. Finally, he called the Housing Manager, David Blair.

Blair, who was not on site at the time, arrived about half an hour later to find the scene considerably quieted. Most of the students had gotten bored with the situation, having taken enough flash photos from almost directly under the tree, and left. The two cubs were still cowering in the tree, but the adult bear had disappeared into the woods. By this time a CA had emerged onto the deck of the lodge and was watching the scene along with other curious residents.

The next day, David Blair contacted Facilities Services and told them of the incident. They, in turn, planned to call on the Department of Fish and Wildlife to possibly trap and relocate the bears.

This situation was ugly, and with the recent bear activity in the housing area, if the attitude remains the same among housing residents, they will only get worse. Almost nightly, bears come into the housing complex,

and, Blair says, "It has been going on since I got up here."

The problem is the garbage. Bears are attracted to the smell of garbage. The odor has always attracted them, but when they find repeatedly that the dumpsters are inaccessible, there is no reason for them to hang around. This semester, according to Blair, the dumpsters have often been left insecure, and the bears have been able to gain access to the garbage. Garbage has also been left on porches, presumably to be taken to the dumpsters eventually, and this is further attraction (and reward) to the bears.

It is important to recognize a few things about this situation. First, bears are wild animals and even bear experts concede that they are highly unpredictable. This means they are very dangerous. Second, local bears are becoming accustomed to finding food around where UAS students live. This means more student-bear encounters are inevitable. Third, the recent behavior of housing students has illustrated that many residents are unable to deal with this type of situation in a reasonable manner.

All of this is an early warning. Last week's incident indicates that more bear awareness and education is necessary, and the residence community must take steps now to avoid a tragedy. UAS Housing is a great place to live, in part because it is literally nestled in a rainforest, but we must remember that there were already inhabitants of this area long before the complex was built. We can't move in and then frighten them up trees with our ridiculous behavior.

Even without considering the immanent danger of actions like kicking a tree in which an already frightened bear is hiding, or roaring idiotically at it, you have to know that

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Letters to the Editor

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Retaliation to terrorism not smart

By Tia Anderson

Former student government president

WASHINGTON D.C. - As I walked to work this morning in the aftermath of a tragedy beyond our comprehension I saw a man holding a cardboard sign. The sign urged to declare "War on Afghanistan Now." There are police on every corner both to keep traffic going and to maintain security. Every car entering government building parking lots such as the Senate, the capital, etc. must have a staff pass and the trunks of each car are opened and searched. The country is on the highest alert. But is the highest alert and our country's strongest forces going to prevent a people that are willing to use any means necessary, including sacrificing their lives, from striking again?

All Americans want to be safe from harm. There is hardly an American who has not been affected in some way by this enormous tragedy. There is no American who would want this to ever happen again.

The threat of what the United States government might do scares me to death. If we are to prevent terrorist strikes, to prevent growing anger and hatred against the United States, the last action we want to take is retaliation. Those behind this act of terrorism have committed terrible acts and they should be brought to justice. Retaliation is an act of hatred. Let us not be terrorists ourselves.

I read the message by University of Alaska's President Hamilton and agree that the United States must

protect its citizens and bring the proper people to justice under a righteous system. I believe there will be much talk of retaliation. I urge each and every one of you to be cautious, rational and just.

Retaliation is only a feel-good answer it is not a permanent solution for safety of American citizens.

My heart and prayers go out to the many family members and friends of victims who lost their lives or are in serious condition as a result of the September 11th attacks. My blood and others will go to the hundreds who have lost blood. As we grieve and heal in this national tragedy, let



One of many photos circulating on the internet

us make the kinds of intelligent decisions that will spare our children and their children in the years to come. Retaliation and violence breeds more of the same and is the wrong decision for the United States of America.

President Hamilton's response to the terrorist attacks

President Hamilton responded to the terrorist attacks with the following message. It can also be found at his web site: www.alaska.edu/pres. Please feel free to forward this to any of your University list serves.

December 7, 1941, a day that as predicted has lived in infamy, has found these nearly 70 years later a companion. Today we have experienced the sense of vulnerability and fear that until now was known only to Honolulu, Hawaii and to Dutch Harbor, Alaska, coordinated attacks on American soil.

The coordination adds to the effect. The selection of symbols of all three traditional elements of national power is the intended message. Terrorism is offered as the replacement for the economic, military and diplomatic power that has governed world affairs for centuries. Attacks on the world trade center, the Pentagon, and the State Department are not attacks on convenient, big buildings, but rather a direct refutation of the validity of traditional elements of national and international power.

The coordinated high jacking of commercial airplanes to be the weapons in this act of war brings the threat of terrorism into virtually every American's life. Furthermore, the thought that a pilot under even the most acute duress would fly a plane into a building seems beyond unlikely. That leads to the realization that these terrorists were not of the strangely comforting stereotype of drug-crazed fanatics; these terrorists could fly modern commercial jets, control them to the target and score direct hits.

What will happen now is certain to be retaliation, probably at a level we have not yet seen. We will be prudent in the sense of being sure we have the right source, but will likely be brutal in the scale of retaliation. I would think that some form of symbolic retaliation will come very soon, certainly within a week, given the Clinton administration's criticized 10-day retaliation time frame. Very likely the United States will pursue a subsequent retaliation, more thorough, far reaching, and, yes, more terrible than any before. When terrorists have safe harbors we have no safe harbor.

Being sure of the exact source will not be easy but will be done. The most compelling evidence will come from those parts of the coordinated attack that did not work.

There will be pieces of the plan that did not work out, terrorists get caught in traffic too, warehouses holding explosives have fork lifts break and so forth.

These events may change the debate on ballistic missile defense. The idea of a rogue nation firing a missile seems more credible given the use of manned aircraft as the weapon of choice. Currently at risk from known missile systems are the targets of 70 years ago, Hawaii and Alaska. Suddenly and tragically the continental United States has felt the sting of vulnerability that states 49 and 50 continue to live with.

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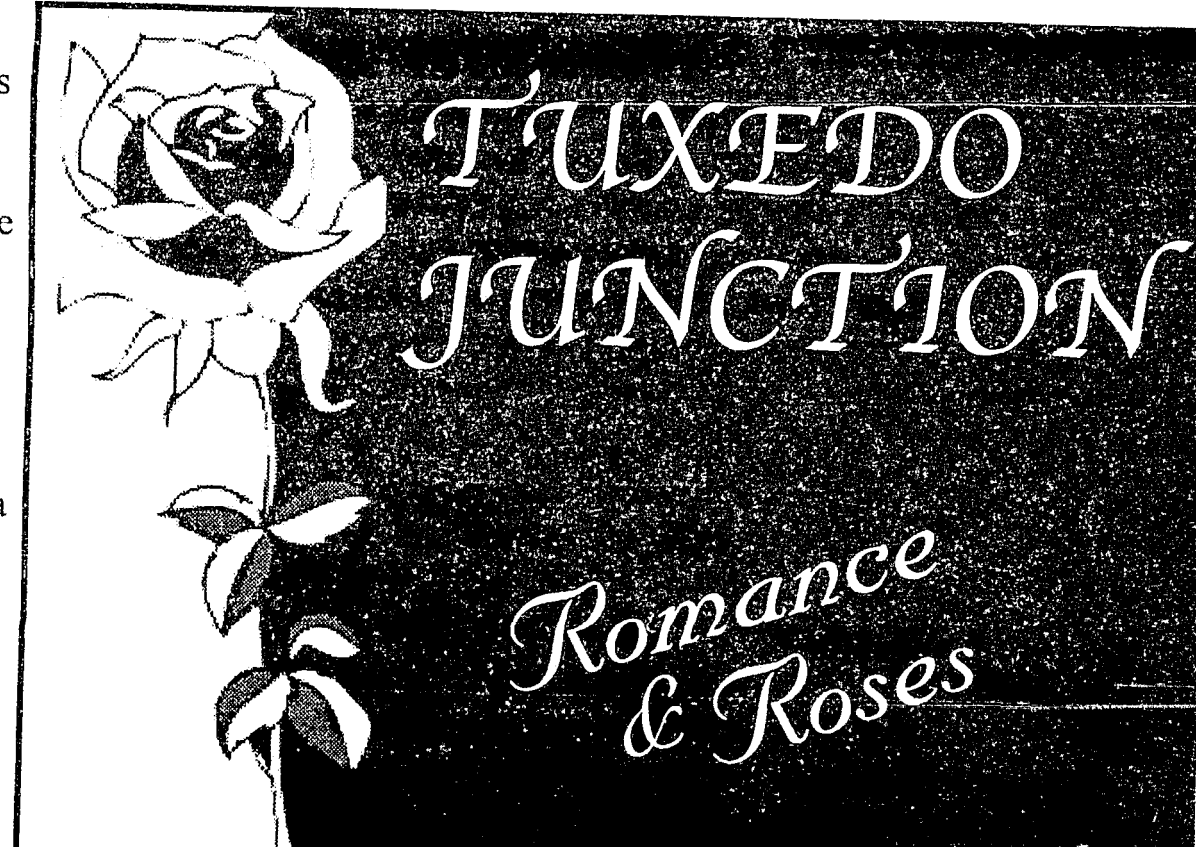
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UAS student leadership, a new year

A new perspective, with new goals, new plans and new senators

By Tyler Bishop
Whalesong Staff

What has student government done for me? What will student government do for me? What Can I do for student government? These are the questions that students commonly have about student government here at UAS.

Have you ever noticed the computers in Spikes Café? That is the work of student government. Or did you attend the Banff film festival or Winter Fest last year? Have you heard about the eight new laptops available through checkout at Media Services? Your student government has provided all of these things to you and much more. Student government works hard to provide discounts around town as well as entertainment for students.

This year, President Mark Graves, Vice President Katrina Hotch and student Senators Jamie Atkinson, Martha Hill, Nikki Hughes, and Emily Westcott, lead student government. Two senator seats are to be filled by an upcoming election.

Acquiring more discounts for students will be attempted by student government this year. Including the following, EagleCrest passes, Perseverance Theatre tickets not to mention a percentage discount at local business. They are also planning more community and campus involvement. This means that a lot more service projects will be planned and executed by the group this year.

Student government cannot operate without students. It needs students to serve on various committees, as well as students to organize and run clubs. If student government wishes to run successfully, students must become involved in that process. So, students, traditional or untraditional should get involved and voice their opinions.

Recently this reporter had a chance to sit down and talk with President Graves. Here is our conversation:

Q. What is your favorite color?

A. That's easy, green. I thought you were going to ask me tough questions.

Q. Alright, What came first the chicken or the egg?

A. Chicken. You're wasting my time.

Q. What are you going to do differently from last year?

A. I'm going to have more student community involvement. Hopefully every senator will run at least one service project somewhere locally. Whether it's picking up trash out the road or volunteering at the pioneers' home.

Q. Anything else?

A. We are also working on more student discounts. We have lost contact with a lot of local business so we are contacting them in order to get more discounts for students. All so far have been very responsive, so that's a good sign for us.

Q. Have you found any challenges in being President?

A. Yes, too many to count but we're overcoming those challenges. I would just like to thank Jamie Atkinson who has kicked ass to get student government rolling this year. If I had six senators like him life would be wonderful.

Q. I have heard rumors of an ATM on campus.

A. No promises man. We're working on it, figuring out the logistics and what not.

Q. Anything else you want to add?

A. Yeah, any students who have any questions or comments can just stop by the Student Government office located downstairs in the Mourant Building?



Photo by Scott Foster

Student government so far (Front, left to right) Jamie Atkinson, Martha Hill, and Emily Westcott - Senators. (Back) Mark Graves - President. (not shown: Katrina Hotch - Vice President)

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UAS in awe over recent cruise to Tracy Arm

By Kim Porter
Whalesong Staff

UAS folks traveled a spectacular 140-mile tour of whales, seals, and glaciers Sunday, Sept. 9. Over 100 students, staff, faculty, and their families awoke to a beautiful sunny Southeast Alaska day and boarded a catamaran for the annual UAS Tracy Arm cruise.

This annual cruise began with the birth of the Humanities 120: Alaska a Sense of Place class in the fall of 1999. This is the third year UAS has sponsored the Tracy Arm cruise and it has become a school-wide event. After the

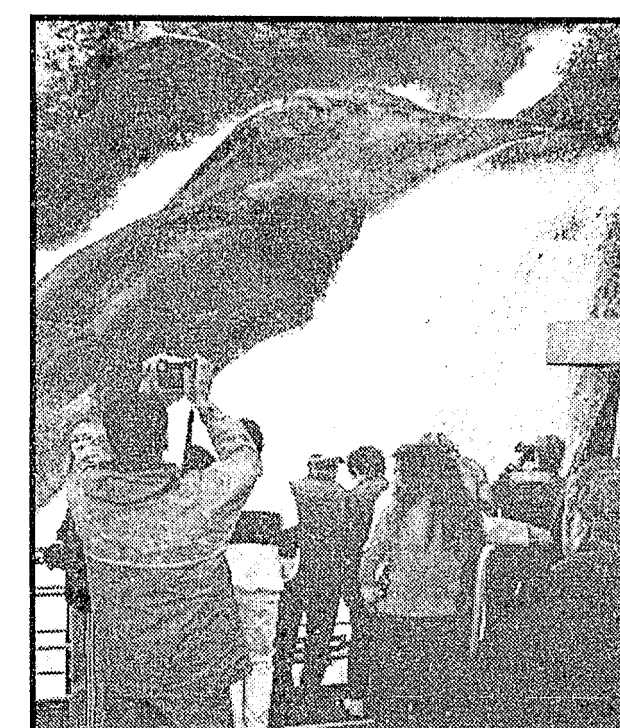


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One of many waterfalls at Tracy Arm

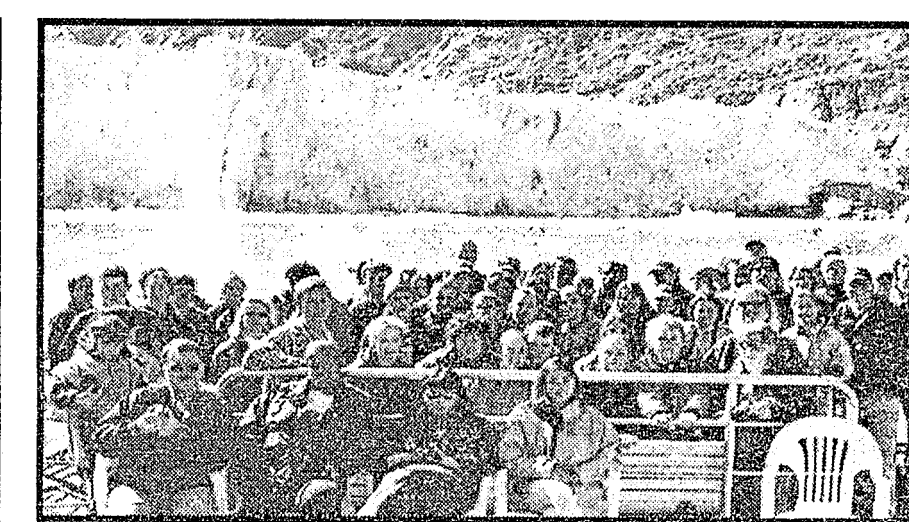


Photo Courtesy of Kim Porter
The bulk of the Tracy Arm cruise passengers

better understand the formation of this area and have a greater appreciation for nature and the people of the land. Passengers were delighted to witness the glacier calving, as well as traces of the recently receded glacier along the mountainsides. UAS student Shellai Barnett stated "Not only did we get to see whales, but we also got to see the glacier fall apart."

university buys 100 tickets, tickets are sold for a discounted \$25 to students and \$55 to other passengers from UAS. One student commented, "This is the best \$25 I've spent." The Auk Nu catamaran was filled almost completely with the UAS passengers who held a similar attitude.

On the venture to the fjord, passengers were pleased to see whales playing in the ocean. New UAS passengers, as well as returning passengers, gathered atop of the catamaran and continually snapped photographs of the massive animals. People were amazed to see such large mammals surface so close to the cruise boat and then to see the constant air blown from the whales.

Along the way, our naturalist and crew explained the history of the Tracy Arm Fjord and told us stories of John Muir's adventures in Alaska. UAS passengers were able to

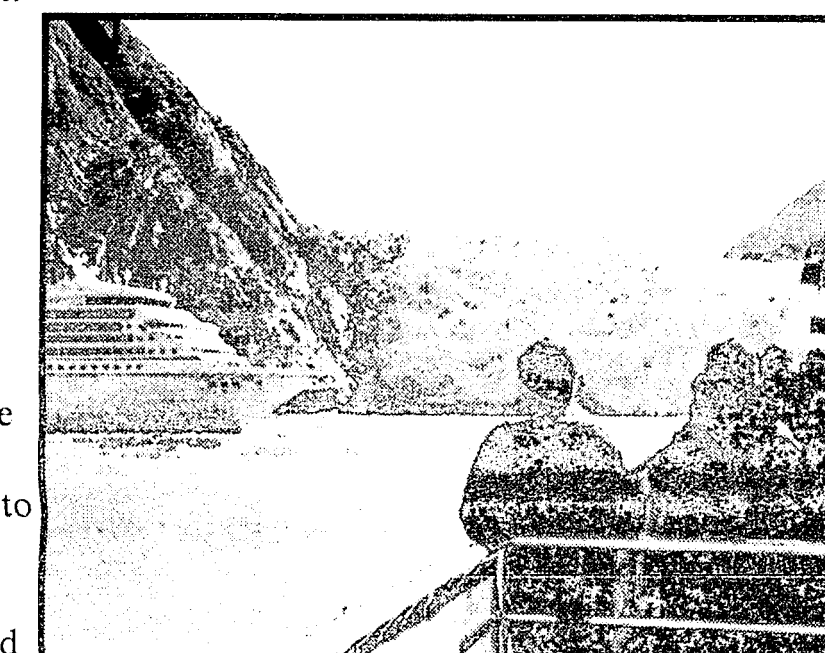


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Can't we ever get away from those damn cruise ships?



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Students pose in front of the glacier



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UAS welcomes new and returning students

Orientation events help students kick off semester

By Kim Porter
Whalesong Staff

Hiking, movies, bowling, pizza, and an overnight at the Shrine filled the schedules of new students for five days of orientation fun prior to fall 2001 classes.

UAS freshman were greeted the

morning of Thursday, August 30 by a team of staff, faculty, and returning students. Orientation registration gathered some 70 incoming students to the Egan Library where various staff introduced the university. Door prizes were given, as were Dave Kleinpeter's trivia prizes. Students listened to UAS leaders, became familiar with the expectations of UAS, as well as received tips on how to succeed in college.

The evening was celebrated with the annual Guess Who's Coming to Dinner. At least 30 freshman joined staff and faculty for dinner. As a returning senior, I was asked to join Team Computing for the evening. Michael Ciri and Jeri Cary shared their home with the group and joined the rest of the computing services staff to cook spaghetti.

Friday was full of events at the Student Activity Center. Many students took part in the climbing wall orientation, while others played pool, foosball, air hockey, and watched the large-screen television. Later in the afternoon

students were welcomed with a barbecue and a movie. The movie *Vertical Limit*, featuring ice and mountain climbing, captured the attention of many UAS students, faculty, and staff.

Physical activities filled everyone's

schedule Saturday. To raise money and awareness of cancer, UAS was invited to participate in the "Beat the Odds" and "Prostate" run or walk Saturday morning. Following the run was a hike up Mt. Robert's or an optional exploration of downtown Juneau.

To end the day, UAS students were invited to "Rock N Roll Bowl." Students filled the lanes with

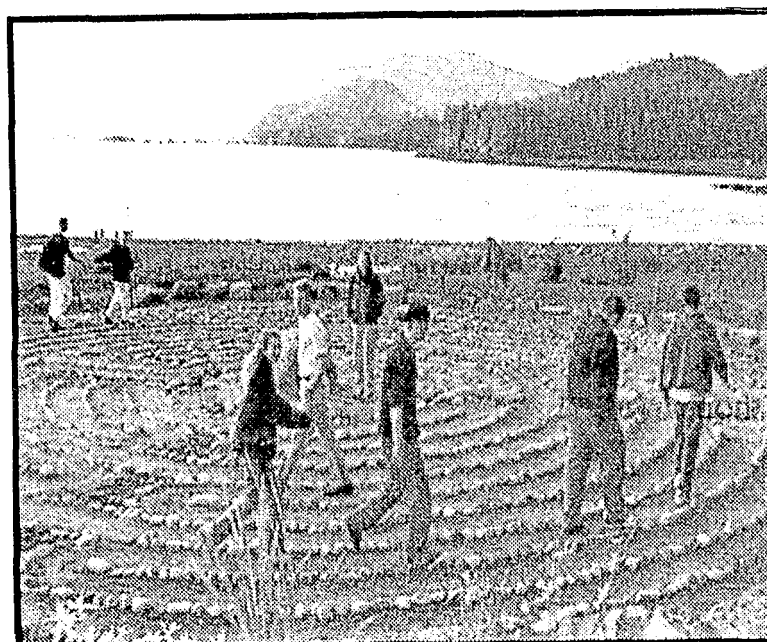
laughter and chatter as they ate pizza, bowled for different contests, and competed for the highest scores.

Housing staff made trips to local stores Sunday morning, allowing new students to buy necessities for their new homes and for the overnight at the Shrine of St. Therese. Many returning staff, faculty, and student staff attended this overnight with the new students. A bonfire on the beach, a picnic, and a hike together to enjoy the beautiful clear sky, sunset, and the company of each other while making s'mores around the fire. Later, the Shrine lodge was filled with soft guitar

tunes and groups of students chatting and familiarizing themselves with each other.

The last day of orientation, Labor Day Monday, was spent working in teams on a service project for the Shrine of St. Therese. Students, staff, and faculty split into two groups, covered their hands with gloves, and carried potential firewood down the mountainsides to the woodcutters.

Unfortunately, the five days of fun came to an end with lunch after the service project at



Walking through the Shrine labyrinth

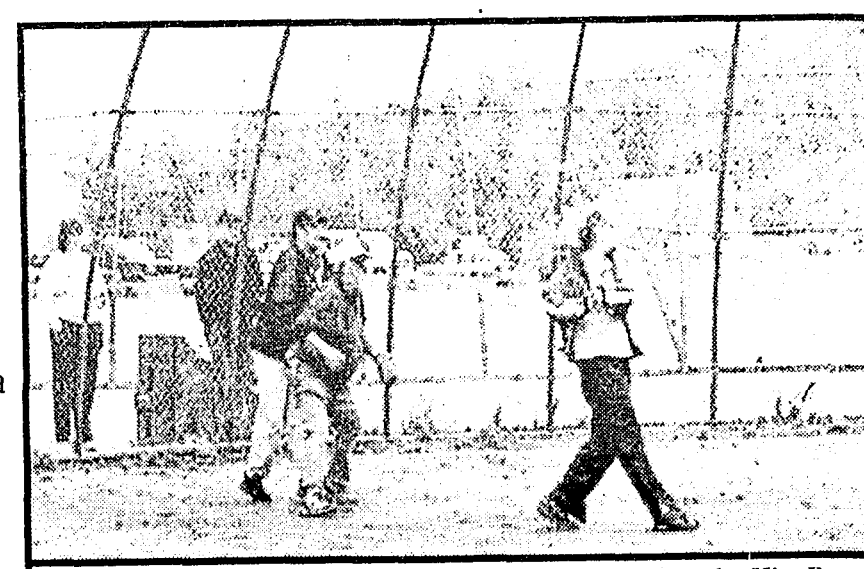
Photo by Kim Porter



Rosa and Tish happily weeding

Photo by Kim Porter

the Shrine of St. Therese. Having gone through freshman orientation, students who are new to UAS will hopefully feel more at home and comfortable with the campus and surrounding areas.



Baseball game at Sandy Beach

Photo by Kim Porter

UAS Annual Welcome Picnic

By Kim Porter
Whalesong Staff

Saturday, Sept. 8, participants in the UAS welcome picnic filled their stomachs with hotdogs, hamburgers, chicken, chips, soda, brownies, and cookies. The annual picnic was to welcome all students, staff, faculty, and their families to the University of Alaska Southeast. Because of the classroom wing addition to the library, construction fills up the grassy area that was once used for barbecues, picnics, and fun. This year marked the return to Sandy Beach of the annual UAS welcome picnic. With the decent weather, one baseball diamond was filled with softball players, while the playground area with a volleyball game. Student activities, student government, and UAS alumni sponsored the picnic.



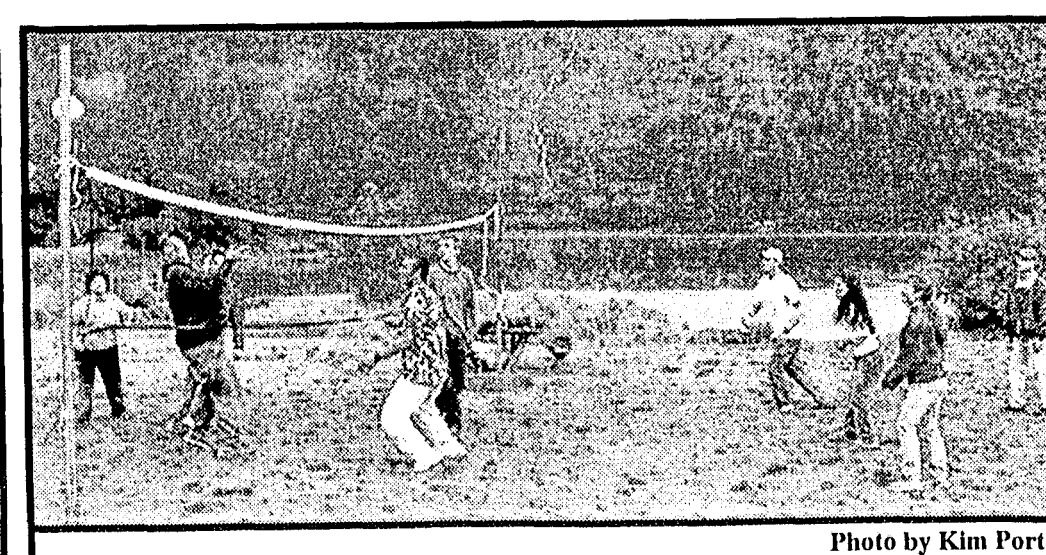
Eagerly waiting for food at Sandy Beach picnic

Photo by Kim Porter



Timi does a flamingo pose

Photo by Kim Porter



Beach volleyball in Juneau?

Photo by Kim Porter

Tuesday's tragedy puts deadlines on hold

By Kevin Myers
Whalesong Staff

Tuesday, Sept. 11 was a day with a lot of ink on my calendar. It was the deadline of the project that I'd been working on all summer. It was also the launch of two other major projects. I also had a movie screening planned for a review I was going to write and an interview with one of the University's new professors. Coordinated into all of these deadlines was the daily routine of getting my two young children to and from daycare. In fact, the story that was going to occupy this space was going to be about the challenges of being a working parent while going to school. That all changed when the phone rang at 7:35 am.

In years to come that is how I will answer the question. Where were you when you heard about the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon? My children's daycare is located in the Federal Building. At 7:36 am my wife hung up the phone and said: "They're closing the Federal Building because of terrorist attacks in New York and Washington." We gave up the habit of listening to the news in the morning after my daughter started to understand words such as death, murder and bloodshed. On Tuesday, and the days to follow those words became unavoidable. It would be a day spent trying to put into perspective for an almost four-year old that which I could not put into perspective for myself.

It wasn't until I was driving to my wife's office and heard the news reports that I began to understand the extent of what had happened. "Why did that man (the reporter) say there's fire and people died? Are they talking about my school?" My daughter asked nervously from her car seat. I tried to explain that these things happened 4,000 miles from Juneau. That all her teachers and friends were fine and they were only closing her school because it's just what they do when really bad things happen to the government. "Can we drive by my school just to make sure it's okay?" We did.

My children and I arrived at my wife's office so I could drop them off, get to my office to check the status of all the projects on my calendar and hopefully

Patriots, motivated by attacks, descending on military recruiters

By John Cihowski and John Chadwick
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

Two days after the attack on the World Trade Center, a grim-faced lawyer in a business suit walked into the Marine recruiting station in Hackensack, N.J., and did something few professional men or women ever do: John W. Meyers offered to enlist.

"Maybe I'm too old, but I wanted to do something more than just be angry and sad," said Meyers, 48, who practices in Englewood, N.J. "I think there's a lot of people like me out there. Even if we can't serve, I think there ought to be something we can do."

Meyers certainly is not alone. The sneak attack has struck a patriotic chord with many Americans - both young and old - who want to volunteer for service just as President Bush is calling for activation of the military reserves.

On Thursday, a spokeswoman for the recruitment office at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey, said 40 calls had been received since Tuesday's attack. In the Hackensack Marine office, recruiters said dozens have been calling and stopping by, mostly veterans and senior citizens. Some break down in tears, recruiters said. "A lot of the older guys, they call up and say this shouldn't be happening to our country," Sgt. Jason Glew said. "They say, 'I'm ready to do anything to help.'"

Although it's too early for an accurate count, North Jersey recruitment stations for all branches of the service have similar tales. "Today alone, we got 10 calls," Chief Jay Blatche, a Coast Guard

recruiter in Newark, said Thursday. "Mostly, it's retired people who want to come back for active duty." On a normal day, Blatche said, he might get one inquiry.

Phones were also ringing at the Air Force recruiting station in Mine Hill, which reopened its doors Thursday after being closed two days "for precautionary reasons," said Senior Airman Eric Parker. "My answering machine was full of calls,"

Parker said. "Some (callers) were 20 years old, but a lot were veterans, too. We made a few appointments to talk with them, but it'll be a while before we know their true

level of interest and whether they qualify."

To qualify, potential recruits must pass a physical examination and meet other requirements relating mostly to their skills, said Maj. Christie Dragan, a spokeswoman for McGuire Air Force Base. The military services usually only accept applicants who are younger than 40, but exceptions are made under a formula that recognizes prior service, Dragan said. "Generally, you can subtract your years of prior service from your age," she explained, "and if that adds up to less than 40, you can be eligible." Because of his age and lack of prior service, Meyers would not qualify.

be back in time to take the kids to lunch. As we walked into her office I was surprised to see all of the employees gathered around, searching on the Internet, trying to piece together what had happened that morning. It was surprising because she works in an understaffed, non-profit law practice. No one is ever just standing around, let alone the whole staff. Suddenly, the importance of all my deadlines started to fade slightly; enough that I stood talking with them for the next 20 or 30 minutes. We talked about the fourth plane that never reached its target and speculated about a heroic effort by the pilot to down the plane in a field. We tried to put the attack into perspective. We talked about Pearl Harbor, the Challenger disaster, Oklahoma City and the Kennedy assassination, but we just couldn't put our finger on what made this feel so much worse.

As we talked the horrific events of the day started to take on a human face. Planes and buildings started to become men and women, mothers and fathers, sons and daughters.

I was holding my one-year old son and I could feel my eyes welling up as an immense feeling of loss washed over me. As my heart broke for the potentially thousands of families who lost loved ones, I was also filled with thankfulness that my own children were safe in my arms. The stress I felt about deadlines was gone. Instead of going to check on my deadlines, I brought my children with me to cancel them. When I got to my office I was met with phone and email messages that had already postponed all of my deadlines. There was an email from the executive director of my organization telling us that our families needed us more on this day than organization did. Months of planning and strategy meetings all became superfluous in the wake of the days events.

My wife and I try to teach our children that people are good, it is our ideas that are sometimes bad. On a day when the most evil of these ideas was implemented there was also cause for hope. The Mayor of New York, Rudolf Giuliani, choking-up as he told of lines of New Yorkers' blocks long waiting to give blood, members of the House and the Senate gathering on the Capitol

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Sports

Tiger Woods the latest to alter plans after terrorism

By Ed Sherman
Chicago Tribune

The sports world continued to make adjustments Friday as it began an unprecedented weekend off. Tiger Woods pulled out of a tournament in Europe amid growing questions over whether the Ryder Cup should be played there. Workers started stitching American flags onto the caps major league baseball players will wear when they resume play next week. Fans attending major league games will not be allowed to bring coolers, backpacks and large bags into ballparks as a security precaution. And the first CART race in Europe, Saturday's German 500, was renamed "The American Memorial" in tribute to victims of terrorist attacks in the United States.

Woods canceled a scheduled trip to next week's Lancome Trophy in Paris. He was supposed to make an appearance fee reportedly in excess of \$2 million for the tournament. "I feel strongly that this is a time to pause, reflect and remember the victims of Tuesday's horrific attack," Woods said on his Web site. "I have always felt that I must be fully committed to each and every competition I enter, but due to this week's events, I am not. I also fear that the security risks of traveling overseas at the present time are too great." Woods' feelings could impact the Ryder Cup.

The U.S. team is set to leave on a private plane Sept. 23 for the matches that begin at the Belfry in England five days later. "I don't think the Ryder Cup is even on his mind right now," said Mark Steinberg, Woods' agent. "He's really shook up about this."

Other players also have concerns about traveling to Europe. "It's not so much the matches that concern me, it's the traveling," David Duval said. "Will I be prepared to fly? I honestly don't know. I don't have the answers. I don't think any of us do right now." "To tell you the truth, I'm really riding the fence," Scott Hoch said. "What is the point where the suffering and mourning should stop, when we proceed with as much normalcy as possible? Nobody can say."

The U.S. team is under the umbrella of the PGA of America. The association's executive director, Jim Awtrey, said he hopes the matches will be played, but acknowledged that questions about player safety and security need to be addressed. European star Colin Montgomerie says the matches should go on, although he would understand if the U.S. players decided not to play. "Let's hope we can use (playing) as a positive message," Montgomerie said. "If the Ryder Cup is canceled or postponed, you are allowing these terrorists to win."

Baseball announced its new security measures, which include a ban on parking within 100 feet of any stadium, closer inspection of items fans bring into ballparks and an increase in uniformed law enforcement at all games. "Fans will be very comfortable with these provisions," said Kevin Hallinan, baseball's senior vice president of security. "Security and safety is our highest priority."

The University of Michigan wants the government to keep airplanes from flying over its football stadium on game days. "There's legislation in Washington that is about to be acted on to do exactly that," athletic director Bill Martin said.

The New York Giants evacuated their indoor training facility at Giants Stadium twice Friday after alarms went off during practice. Coach Jim Fassel said the alarms were caused by a short in an air duct. The stadium is less than 10 miles from the World Trade Center, which was destroyed in Tuesday's terrorist attack. After Friday's practice the players met with two grief counselors.

This will be the first time the NFL has missed a week for a reason other than a labor dispute. The league said it would not have an announcement on rescheduling before Tuesday. The quiet weekend will give the nation time to dwell on Tuesday's attacks.

The Giants canceled plans to have a group of players visit the site of the attack in Manhattan. "They said we would be more of a hindrance than a help," Fassel said. Instead the players planned on donating supplies or going to Jersey City to help load relief supplies.

Tampa Bay Bucs receiver Keyshawn Johnson said he will donate a week's pay—usually \$31,250—to the Red Cross. The PGA Tour is contributing at least \$2 million to various relief funds, an amount that could grow if fans choose to donate the price of their tickets instead of getting a refund. Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban is giving \$1 million to the families of police officers and firefighters. The NBA donated everything from socks and sweatshirts to unused office space that will be taken over Monday by the New York mayor's office of

management and budget.

Meanwhile, the Boston Red Sox returned to Fenway Park on Friday after taking three bus trips, an airplane and a train on a journey from Florida that began more than 24 hours earlier. But while the Red Sox were returning home after their games were postponed, other events were being rescheduled.

The U.S. Davis Cup matches against India were changed to next month, the first time in 10 years American play in the Davis Cup was postponed. The important qualifying series in Winston-Salem, N.C., will now be played Oct. 12-14. USA Wrestling has asked the sport's world governing body to postpone the World Championships of Wrestling, scheduled for Madison Square Garden on Sept. 26-29. Nearly 700 wrestlers from 82 countries are expected to compete in the championships. The Canadian Football League called off all four of its weekend games and did not immediately reschedule them.

Other sports attempted to get back on track. European soccer will resume this weekend after two days of postponements.

Iran, despite its long-frosty relations with the United States, held a minute of silence before Friday's World Cup qualifier against Bahrain to honor those killed in the terrorist attacks

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Calling all Hoopsters and Volleyball Players

By David Blair
Whalesong Contributor

If you're interested in playing in the University of Alaska Southeast Intramural Sports Program this fall please contact David Blair at 465-6389. There will be a men's and women's 5-on-5 basketball league and also a Co-ed 4-on-4 Volleyball league.

UAS students, faculty and staff are encouraged to form teams. Individuals who are interested in playing on a team should call Blair. Rosters and rules can be picked up at the Housing & Activities desk in the Mourtant Building. All rosters are due on September 21. Games will begin the first week of October and finish at the Thanksgiving Break. All basketball games and volleyball matches will be officiated.

This is a wonderful opportunity for students, faculty and staff to join together for a little friendly competition and exercise. For more information please call David Blair.

Entertainment

What's new in video

By Sumer Todd-Harding
Whalesong Staff

Release Date: 9/18

Driven

Written by and starring Sylvester Stallone, this action drama is set in the world of CART auto racing. Jimmie Bly (played by Kip Pardue) is a soon-to-be young star, but he's having a hard time keeping up. Also starring Burt Reynolds. Rated PG-13 for violence and profanity.

Someone Like You

Based on the novel "Animal Husbandry" by Laura Zigman. Ashley Judd stars as a talk-show producer who develops a thesis that male behavior is directly related to that of wildlife. Also features Marisa Tomei and Ellen Barkin. Rated PG-13 for explicit language and sexual situations.

Spy Kids

Antonio Banderas stars as Gregorio, a secret agent who, after retiring, marries his partner, Ingrid (played by Carla Gugino). Nine years and two children later, Gregorio and Ingrid are called to duty once again, but this time, the kids are called to rescue their parents. Also featuring Cheech Marin. Rated PG.

Startup.com

This documentary produced by D.A. Pennebaker covers the first year of a struggling internet firm, as well as the trials and tribulations of working with your friends. Rated R for profanity—questionable for children.

Release Date: 9/25

A Knights Tale

New star Heath Ledger (The Patriot) stars as William Thatcher, a peasant squire who, after the death of his employer, replaces him in a jousting competition—which only allows competitors of noble birth. After winning, Thatcher decides to continue his charade. Also starring Mark Addy, Rufus Sewell and Paul Bettany. Rated PG-13 for violence, explicit language and some nudity.

Kingdom Come

This comedy was based on a play by David Dean Bottrell and Jessie Jones (who also wrote the screenplay). After the death of a loved one, the Slocumb family comes together to form one of the most hilarious groups of stars today. Starring LL Cool J, Jada Pinkett-Smith, Vivica A. Fox, Loretta Devine, Anthony Anderson and Toni Braxton. Rated PG for adult situations and explicit language.

The Forsaken

This vampire horror flick takes place in the desert, after Sean (played by Kerr Smith) picks up a hitchhiker, Nick (Brendan Fehr), on his way to his sister's wedding. Nick is a vampire hunter, and convinces Sean to join his cause. Also starring Izabella Miko and Simon Rex. Rated R for graphic violence, profanity and sexual situations.

Preview

Don't Forget to Vote!
Wednesday, September 19th—Last day to vote in our student elections, go vote now for your next student Senator!

Friday, September 21st-

Computing servicing will be holding a seminar for students introducing Excel from 2-3p.m. in the Whitehead Building room 102

Saturday, September 22nd-

Kim Angelis, the gypsy violinist will play at 8p.m. at the SAC.

Tuesday, September 25th-

Prof. Jonathan Anderson will mediate a discussion on sexual harassment for students in the Lake Room at noon.

Thursday, September 27th-

"O Brother Where Art Thou" will play at the Silverbow/back room at 7:30p.m.

Horoscopes

By Lasha Seniuk



Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Recent flirtations will deepen. Watch for potential lovers to issue bold statements or obvious romantic invitations. Although progress may have felt sluggish, lovers will dramatically change the pace of key relationships.



Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Renewed sensuality will captivate your attention. Although educational duties are pressing, shared moments of intimacy will prove far more appealing. Single Aquarians can expect a romantic invitation from a colleague.



Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Instructions from key officials will be unclear. Expect intense reactions from colleagues or managers. Ongoing errors will not be easily corrected. Avoid acting as mediator or team negotiator.



Aries (March 21-April 20). Property agreements or old family documents may cause delays. Expect relatives or family friends to request detailed information or financial permissions. Many Aries natives will soon expand home security.



Taurus (April 21-May 20). Complicated social promises from the past may require an extra effort. Watch for close friends or colleagues to openly discuss yesterday's social events, changed plans or romantic triangles. Delicate issues may be involved.



Gemini (May 21-June 21). A recently silent friend may challenge your ideas or opinions. Key areas of concern may involve demanding work habits, old vs. new friends or complicated group events.



Cancer (June 22-July 22). A close friend may compete for your attention or emotional support. Although loved ones may demand extra time and energy, long-term friends will also need your ongoing dedication. Avoid group meetings.



Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Key officials may soon demand added efforts and dedication. Expect small projects to become increasingly complicated. Scattered ideas or revised time limitations may cause delays or confusion.



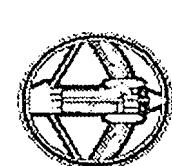
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Personal relationships or private social triangles are complex. Expect others to reveal rare encounters or emotional information. Some Virgos may also experience a subtle change in a family relationship.



Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). After a fairly intense period of social or romantic doubt, love relationships are due to greatly expand. Watch for lovers or marital partners to end a phase of emotional distance and mistrust. Ongoing questions will be easily resolved.



Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). New emotional options or proposed home changes may be on the agenda. Watch for loved ones to request a public shift of new social rules in romance. Intimacy, or shared time in the home may be a strong concern.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Loved ones may be focused on small amounts of money and short-term business agreements. Expect friends and lovers to publicly question the ethics or business practices of authority figures.

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Friday, September 28th-

Alice Tersteeg will show her new watercolors from 4-7p.m. at the Big Picture (Lyle's).



Saturday, September 29th-

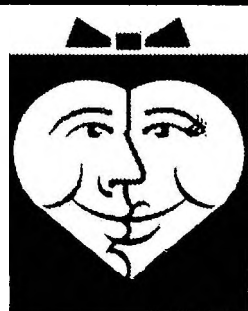
Tuxedo Junction, the biannual fundraising event will take place starting at the Mt. Roberts tram at 8p.m.



Tuesday, October 2nd-

Watch for the next Whalesong issue!





Dr. Love and Deb Auchery

Please drop any questions for Doc and Deb in the Whalesong drop box at the bottom of the stairs inside the Maurant Building.

Dear Doc and Deb:

I usually stay away from jailbait but this girl I met acts much older than your average 16 year-old. What is Alaska's state law on this subject? Will I end up in jail?

Doc Says:

I did a little research and found that the laws can be a little hazy. I checked out a website called <http://www.ageofconsent.com> and it gave information on almost every country and each U.S. State's consent laws including Alaska.

Good luck staying out of jail or 'you' will become the jailbait.

Deb Says:

Perhaps you simply act much younger and therein lies the attraction. Anyway, the last time I checked, Alaska's age of consent was 16 years of age... lucky you. But, there are always exceptions to every rule, so I won't guarantee that you won't end up in jail for reasons that relate to this girl. My advice: Be the more mature person and wait a couple years.

Dear Doc and Deb:

My boyfriend is afraid to touch me where a girl likes to be touched. He'll kiss me for a while, some light petting and then goes straight to sex. How can I get him to pay more attention to me?

Doc Says:

I am not quite sure what to say to this question. I have never come across this problem before, it is not even listed as a phobia that I could find. You should just confront him with your issue. Who knows, maybe he's shy.

Deb Says:

I'm not sure what planet Dr. Love has been on, but this is a very common problem. Perhaps the Doctor's naivete comes from his own expertise in the techniques of foreplay. Anyway, it sounds as if your boyfriend is not as experienced in sex as he would like to think. Multiple partners do not equal experience. First, be gentle with him. Many guys will immediately jump on the defensive when you start complaining about their sexual ability. Next time show him what feels good, slow down the pace, guide him physically in the right direction. Be sure to return the favor with him. Talk with him openly about sex and develop your trust in each other. If you go about this in the correct way, your man should become quite adept at pleasing you. If he is unwilling or unable then move-on honey!

Dear Doc and Deb:

I just got into town and the guys in this place are not cutting it. What can I do?

Doc Says:

You picked the wrong town. The good guys in this town are few and far between. I'd love to show you around but I'm too busy. Good luck in your quest I hope you find what you're after. You know what they say, "The odds are good but the goods are odd."

Deb Says:

Well, you can do one of two things: (1) Move out of town, or (2) Be patient. If you just got into town, I doubt you've met every guy that lives here. In the meantime, perhaps re-analyzing your expectations might help or maybe at this point in life your destiny requires a little time being single. If the guys in town are simply "not cutting it" sexually-see my answer to the question above.

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doing this type of thing is just plain cruel. There is no way that those bears weren't terrified that night. And I, personally, was embarrassed to be human.

David Blair has taken steps to educate students about how to live safely and humanely around bears. He encourages housing student to watch the 45-minute bear awareness video that is available in the Lodge. It will be shown on the big-screen television on an announced basis. Watch for posted dates and times. For now, remember these few tips:

- Always make sure (twice) that the dumpster shed is secure, this means latching the handle as well as inserting the bar that goes into the ground.
- Don't leave garbage, or anything else that will attract bears, on or around your porch.
- Don't harass the bears. Don't chase them. Don't even approach them. They are highly unpredictable.
- Report bear sightings on the board in the Housing Lodge.
- Always be humane.

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stairs in a show of unity singing "God Bless America." As a whole, the nation seemed more concerned with helping our own, rather than searching for revenge. The prevailing sentiment seemed to be that of you can knock us down, but you can't knock us out. The message to our attackers was that what is to be American is not held in the symbols of America, but in the spirit of its people.

I would try to spend the rest of that day pointing out to my children the hope and compassion that lay beyond the smoke and the rubble. I would try to accentuate that it is the most difficult times that brings out the best in people, that no act of inhumanity can overcome humanity. We stayed in town and went to lunch. Radios everywhere we went were tuned to the coverage. I started to feel numb after a while. The kids got to go spend some time with their Auntie, which they loved, and it gave me time to just think a while. On our way home I was barely aware that I still had the radio on and the reporter announced that the death toll would reach into the thousands. My daughter asked, "Why would someone want to kill all those people?" I turned off the radio and drove into the driveway. I didn't know how to answer her question. I'd been trying to figure it out all day and I was no closer to an answer.

"Zoe", I said, "I just don't know." She got pensive, looked out the window for a while and let out a sigh.

"It was a sunny day, daddy," She said in a sad voice, "but now it raining."

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